

Timaru Herald. 21 May 1921 (Papers Past) [02/04/2024]

WEDDINGS.
SEGAR—PERKINS.

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnised at St Mary's Church, Timaru, on March 28th, when Miss Elsie Perkins, third daughter of Mr and Mrs Samuel Perkins, late of England, was married to Mr Percy V. Segar, son of Mrs Segar, Craigie Avenue, Timaru. The Rev A. W. Julius officiated and Mr Vine presided at the organ. The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, was daintily attired in a gown of ivory crepe de chene and georgette embroidered with silver beads and accordeon pleated frills, a long court train of ivory satin was lined with old gold crepe de chene and caught up with sprays of orange blossom. She wore the orthodox veil of tulle which was held in place with orange blossom. A shower bouquet of white Easter lilies and maidenhair completed a charming toilette. The bridegroom's sister, Miss Ivy Segar, and Miss Cissie Kirk were bridesmaids. Both wore single pearl rings, the gift of the bridegroom, and little Violet White attended the bride as flower girl. She wore a gold bangle, the gift of the bridegroom. Mr A. Segar acted as best man and Mr L. Clarke as groomsman. After the ceremony the bride's parents entertained the guests at the Bay tea rooms, where a sumptuous wedding breakfast was partaken of. Later the happy couple left by car for the north, the bride wearing a fawn costume and black hat.

Timaru Herald. 26 January 1932 (Papers Past) [02/04/2024]

SUDDEN DEATH.

BANDSMAN EXPIRES AT PRACTICE.

The death occurred suddenly last evening of Mr Percy Victor Segar, aged 37 years, who resided with his wife and three children at 29 Wai-iti Road. Deceased, who was in business as an electrician, was a member of the Municipal Band, and was attending a practice in the band room when he suddenly expired. It is understood that the cause of death was heart failure, but it will not be known until this morning whether an inquest will be necessary.

Timaru Herald. 27 January 1932 (Papers Past) [02/04/2024]

DEATH OF MR F. V. SEGAR.

INQUEST OPENED YESTERDAY.

At the Courthouse yesterday afternoon an inquest was opened by the District Coroner, Mr C. R. Orr-Walker, into the death of Percy Victor Segar. Mr Segar, who was an old member of the Timaru Municipal Band, was practising with the Band in the bandroom on Monday night when he collapsed suddenly. Dr King was summoned, but deceased was dead when he arrived.

William Henry Osborne, conductor of the Timaru Municipal Band, stated that deceased had attended a rehearsal in the bandroom on Monday night. He appeared to be in excellent health and spirits. After practising till 9.40 p.m. a rest had been taken and after ten minutes, work had been resumed. A few bars only had been played when deceased dropped his instrument and collapsed in his chair. Medical assistance had been summoned, but on arrival the doctor

had pronounced life extinct. There was no struggle. Witness had known deceased for about 21 years, and was not aware that he had suffered from heart trouble. He knew that deceased had had pleurisy.

Herbert G. Segar, gunsmith, of Timaru, a brother of deceased, gave evidence of identification of the body. Witness had last seen his brother on Sunday and he then appeared to be in good health. Two years ago deceased had had a serious illness, either pleurisy or pneumonia. He was not aware that his brother had been examined for heart trouble, although he had been told that he had complained of his heart. To his knowledge deceased had never had an operation nor a serious accident, but on the day of his death he had cut his finger severely.

The inquiry was then adjourned until this morning, when medical evidence will be heard.

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DEATH OF MR P. V. SEGAR.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE AT INQUEST.

Medical evidence touching the death of Mr. Percy Segar was heard by the District Coroner (Mr. C. R. Orr-Walker) at the Courthouse yesterday.

Dr. R. D. King stated that he had made a post mortem examination of the body, and found that deceased had been suffering from extensive pericarditis. There was also evidence of old pleurisy of the right lung. There was a marked enlargement of a persistent thymus gland. Other organs appeared normal. The cause of death was status lymphaticus, due to the persistency of the thymus gland. This was a disease rarely discovered during life. It had the effect of causing death on sudden exertion or excitement. In children it could be traced by X-ray, but in adults it was practically impossible to discover in life without an operation. The disease usually disappeared at the age of two years.

The Coroner's finding was in accordance with the medical evidence.

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FUNERAL OF LATE MR SEGAR.

BANDSMEN HONOUR COLLEAGUE

An impressive cortege followed the remains of the late Mr Percy V. Segar, to the Timaru Cemetery yesterday afternoon. Mr Segar collapsed and died suddenly on Monday night, while attending a practice of the Municipal Band, of which he had been a member for over 20 years. The service at the residence of the late Mr Segar, at 27 Wai-iti Road, was officiated at by the Venerable Archdeacon Monaghan, who also conducted the burial service at the graveside at Timaru cemetery. The coffin was borne by six brothers of deceased, Messrs Arthur, Hector, Thomas, Herbert, Albert and George Segar.

A fitting tribute to their late colleague was offered by the bandsmen, a full muster of whom headed the funeral procession. Besides both Senior and Junior Bands, there were present twenty ex-members, some of whom carried instruments. Evidence of the regard in which the late Mr Segar was held was shown by the length of the cortege, no fewer than 40 cars following the hearse to the cemetery.

At the graveside, the bands, under the baton of Lieut. W. H. Osborne, played "Lead, Kindly Light," and while returning to the bandroom gave the march "Torchlight," which was the test piece at the last quickstep contest Corporal Segar attended as a member of the Timaru Band.

Mr Segar had been a member of the Band Committee almost since the time he joined, and also was a member of the Board of Control. An accomplished player of the flugel horn, Mr Segar played at every contest attended by the Timaru Band since 1913. He also was a prominent member of the Orchestral Society. His wife and one son remain to mourn the loss of a highly esteemed member of the community.